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In the matter of 2014)	Docket No. 14-AAER-1
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Appliance Efficiency Pre-Rulemaking)	STAFF WORKSHOP
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California Code of Regulations, Title 20,)	RE: 2014 Appliance Efficiency
Sections 1601 through 1608)	Pre-Rulemaking
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Notice of Staff Workshop

Toilets, Urinals, Faucets, Air Filters, Fluorescent Dimming Ballasts, and Heat-pump Water-chilling Packages

California Energy Commission staff will conduct a public workshop to seek comments from interested parties regarding the draft staff reports and draft proposed regulations for toilets, urinals, faucets, air filter labeling, fluorescent dimming ballasts, and heat-pump water-chilling packages. These topics are to be considered as possible amendments to the Appliance Efficiency Regulations (Title 20, Code of Regulations, Sections 1601 through Section 1608). The workshop will be held on:

Tuesday, May 6, 2014
9:30 a.m.

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Purpose

The purpose of this staff workshop is to provide industry, stakeholders, and the public an opportunity to seek clarifications on the staff report analyses and to make comments on the draft proposed efficiency standards for toilets, urinals, faucets, air filter labeling, fluorescent dimming ballasts, and heat-pump water-chilling packages. The goal of this pre-rulemaking process is to examine the draft proposed efficiency standards and their cost effectiveness, technical feasibility, and water, gas, and/or electricity savings. The

staff reports will form the basis for proposed amendments to the Appliance Efficiency Regulations (California Code of Regulations, Title 20, Sections 1601 through Section 1608).

Commissioner Andrew McAllister, as the lead commissioner on efficiency issues, will oversee the work under this rulemaking. Other commissioners and their advisors may attend and participate in the workshop.

Background

On March 14, 2012, the California Energy Commission issued an Order Instituting Rulemaking (OIR). In this OIR, the Energy Commission identified a variety of appliances with the potential to save electricity, gas, and water.

On March 25, 2013, the Energy Commission released an “Invitation to Participate” to provide interested parties with the opportunity to inform the Energy Commission about the products, markets, and industry characteristics of the appliances identified in the OIR. The Energy Commission reviewed the information and data received in the docket and hosted staff workshops in May 2013 to vet the information received.

On June 13, 2013, the Energy Commission released an “Invitation to Submit Proposals” to seek proposals for energy efficiency standards, test procedures, labeling requirements, and other measures to improve the efficiency and reduce the energy or water consumption of the appliances identified in the OIR. The Energy Commission received proposals for toilets, urinals, faucets, fluorescent dimming ballasts and air filter labeling.

Staff reviewed all information received and have prepared two staff reports – one for water-consuming appliances (toilets, urinals, and faucets) and one for appliances that are closely related to the Commission’s building standards (California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 6) (fluorescent dimming ballasts, air filter labeling, and heat-pump water-chilling packages).

Public Comment

Oral comments: Staff will accept oral comments during the workshop. Comments may be limited to three minutes per speaker. Any comments will become part of the public record in this proceeding.

Written comments: Written comments should be submitted to the Dockets Unit **by 4:00 p.m. on June 6, 2014**. Written comments will be also accepted both before and at the workshop, however, the Commission may not have time to fully review them before the conclusion of the workshop. For additional information, see Standing Order re: Proceedings and Confidentiality Procedural Requirements for Filing, Service, and Docketing Documents with the Energy Commission, available at: www.energy.ca.gov/commission/chief_counsel/docket.html.

Additionally, written comments may be posted to the Energy Commission's website for the proceeding. Please note that your written and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (e.g. your address, phone, email, etc.) become part of the viewable public record. This information may become available via Google, Yahoo, and any other search engines.

The Energy Commission encourages stakeholders to submit comments by e-mail. Please include your name and any organization name in the e-mail and comment. Comments should be in a downloadable, searchable format such as Microsoft® Word (.doc) or Adobe® Acrobat® (.pdf). Please include the docket number 14-AAER-1 and indicate "Appliance Efficiency Pre-Rulemaking" in the subject line. Send comments to:

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If you prefer, you may send a paper copy of your comments to:

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Availability of Documents

Documents, including the staff reports and presentations for this meeting, will be available online at:

<http://www.energy.ca.gov/appliances/2014-AAER-01/prerulemaking/documents/>

April 18, 2014

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